

WORLD BRIEFS

BOMB: The FBI Has New Suspects

(Continued from page 1) have additional search warrants and possibly arrest warrants this week. According to federal officials, Mr. Salameh was associated with radical Muslim groups, including that of Sheikh Omar Abdel Rahman, an exiled Egyptian cleric who lives in New Jersey.

Islamic Group Vows to Avenge Leader

CAIRO — A Muslim extremist group threatened Monday to retaliate if any action was taken against its spiritual leader over the World Trade Center bombing in New York. The underground Islamic Group, which has carried out several attacks against tourists in Egypt, denied that Sheikh Omar Abdel Rahman was involved in the Feb. 26 attack, which killed five people and injured more than 1,000.

23 Reported Killed in Somali Port

MOGADISHU, Somalia (Reuters) — As many as 23 people have been killed and 26 injured in fierce clan clashes in the southern Somali port of Kismayu, the international charity Doctors Without Borders said Monday.

Russia Offers Singapore Arms Deal

SINGAPORE (APF) — The visiting Russian vice president, Alexander V. Rutskoi, offered Monday to co-produce military hardware in Singapore, saying Moscow was willing to train local people and transfer technology in sophisticated industries.

2 Car-Bomb Blasts Jolt Swedish City

STOCKHOLM (AP) — Two car bombs exploded in the western city of Gothenburg early Monday, setting a fire, shattering windows and damaging other vehicles, police said.

Swiss Party Puts Forth 2d Woman

BERN (Reuters) — Switzerland's Social Democrats sought Monday to defuse a crisis over their attempt to get a woman into the government by putting forward an alternative candidate in addition to one already rejected by center-right parties.



Members of the New York Police canine unit waiting for the blast site to be declared safe enough for dogs to enter to search for bodies.

Cult Leader's Threat: 'We Are Ready for War'

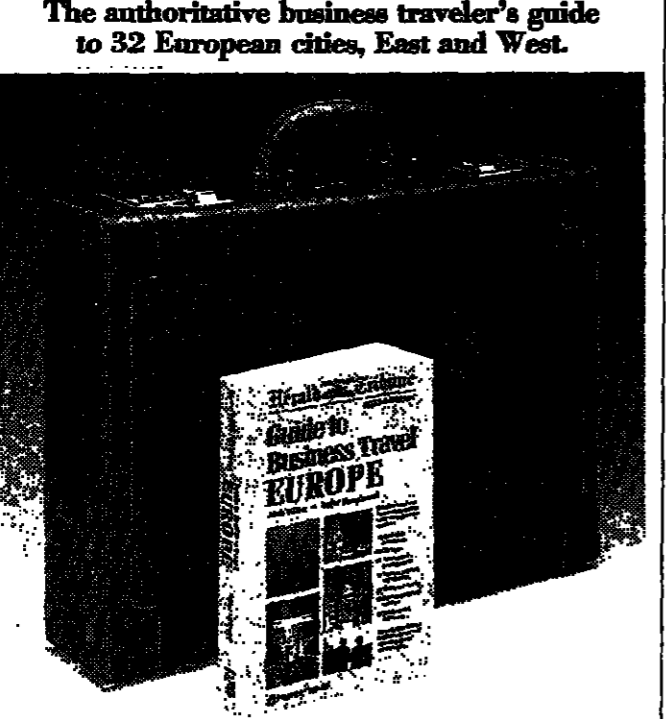
WACO, Texas — The cult leader David Koresh has told negotiators that he is "ready for war" and challenged agents to storm the compound where he and his followers have been besieged for more than a week, the FBI said Monday.

TRAVEL UPDATE

The heaviest snowstorms in decades isolated villages and cut off Romania and more than half of Bulgaria from the outside world Monday. Bucharest banned cars to reduce chaos. Both its international and domestic airports were closed, along with most other airports.

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Billy Eckstine, Ballad Singer, Dies

PITTSBURGH — Billy Eckstine, 78, the singer-bandleader whose warm baritone graced a string of hits in the 1940s and '50s such as "Fools Rush In" and "Everything I Have Is Yours," died here Monday.

MAJOR: Setback on Treaty

(Continued from page 1) referendum May 18. Polls in Denmark suggest that the treaty, which voters rejected in an earlier referendum in June, will be passed.

Ice Is Rejected as Cause Of Crash in Macedonia

AMSTERDAM — An air crash in Macedonia on Friday that killed 81 people could not have been caused by ice on the wings of the aircraft, the Dutch company that made the jet said Monday.

Peru Captures 2 Rebel Leaders

LIMA — Anti-terrorism police have captured two military leaders of Peru's two leftist guerrilla groups, according to police sources.

Advertisement for Hotel du Rhône in Geneva. It features the hotel's logo and name, and a large banner that reads "Our impressive renovation is complete we can't wait to show you the results". Below this, it says "It's time to switch to 'the Rhône'!" and "SIMPLY THE BEST". The advertisement also includes the phone number (41 22) 731 98 31 and fax number (41 22) 732 45 58.

VOLGA: Country Priest at Home

(Continued from page 1) slavi and the Volga River, a sweep of peat and cranberry bogs so sparsely settled that the regional center 8 kilometers away is called Bolshoye Selo, Big Village. That "Father Sergei" is also the title of a well-known story by Tolstoy about a priest who escapes to the wilderness, which they argue is an affront to British sovereignty.

French Official Loses Appeal in AIDS Case

PARIS — A former director of France's central blood bank lost an appeal for freedom Monday, five months after he was jailed for knowingly allowing transfusions with blood he knew was tainted with the AIDS virus.

DEATH NOTICE VASSILCHIKOV, Princess Irina. Aged 82, on 26 February, 1993, in Germany. Resident of Rome, she was the oldest sister of "Missie" Vassilichikov of "The Berlin Diaries" 1940-1945 fame.

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Afghanistan's Chance

It is an encouraging sign that two factions in Afghanistan have signed a truce and agreed on a formula to share power. Another major warlord, General Abdul Rashid Dostan, a former Communist, and important Shiite groups are not part of the deal arranged by Pakistan between the interim president, Burhanuddin Rabbani, and his longtime rival, the fundamentalist leader Gulbuddin Hekmatyar. But the two of them have it within their power to set a model of the sort of orderly power-sharing that is Afghanistan's only chance of escaping continuing civil war.

Farms: Wipe Those Eyes

You do not have to be French to get misty-eyed over farmers. Large numbers of Japanese and even Americans are susceptible, too. Around the world in a variety of cultures, farmers, especially family farmers, are prized as the ultimate custodians of national identity, of tradition and of the soil. Yet trade theorists, consumers and exporters often see farmers as a powerful, entrenched special-interest group. They are blamed for artificially raising food prices at home and for obstructing trade. For decades, trade negotiators did their best to avoid agricultural issues whenever they could.

A Beefed-Up UN Presence Could Save Bosnian Lives

WASHINGTON — To Bill Clinton's first and foremost humanitarian airdrops, intended to relieve distress and boost peace, Bosnia's Serbs responded by stealing what they could of the supplies and, reportedly, massacring intended beneficiaries by the hundreds in Muslim villages. Eyewitnesses describe the survivors as "crying for help and begging to be taken out alive."

Into a Balkan Quagmire? Take a Closer Look

MOSTAR, Bosnia-Herzegovina — In recent weeks, politicians and diplomats have offered rhetoric and promises in arguing against a U.S.-led military intervention in Bosnia. Opponents of military action have variously determined the Serbs to be unbeatable, the Balkan conflict to be a Vietnam-like quagmire or the terrain too mountainous to be vulnerable.

One U.S. armored division and one mechanized infantry division backed by airpower could clean up Bosnia in 30 days.

People who argue that U.S. forces might not find themselves locked in mortal combat with a formidable Yugoslav Army must have missed the battle of Vukovar in 1991. During that action, 1,000 to 1,500 unorganized, ragtag Croats, equipped with only infantry arms, held off 25,000 Yugoslav troops backed by heavy artillery, hundreds of tanks and MiGs for three months — until their ammunition ran out.

The president gambled by bringing Russia into negotiations. Early results indicate that the Serbs are being as contemptuous of their traditional political adversaries in Washington. The provisional verdict must be that Russian entry has made it harder, not easier, to negotiate the UN plan, let alone to improve it in Muslim eyes.

For a Productive Partnership With Japan, America Needs a Truce

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration has wisely accepted the assertion by Mike Mansfield, the former ambassador to Japan, that the U.S.-Japan relationship is the most important bilateral one in the world. But it will have trouble formulating an effective policy until advisers clear away some "ideology."

The Super Collider Deepens the Noble Search for a Final Theory

AUSTIN, Texas — After some uncertainty, the Clinton administration wants to continue financing the Super Collider, a giant scientific instrument under construction in Texas. The debate over the \$8 billion project will now move to Congress.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Ireland Slighted LONDON — The opening of a mail service direct between New York and Southampton inflicts a fresh injustice on Ireland, American correspondence for Ireland goes to Southampton, and is sent back by rail and boat. It is estimated that letters for Dublin will be ten hours late in delivery, while Cork and other parts of South Ireland will suffer fifteen hours delay.

25 Rough Years of Hope

Twenty-five years ago this month, the Kerner Commission, which studied the causes of the '60s racial explosions in American big cities, concluded that the United States was becoming two societies, one black, one white, separate and unequal. The report's anniversary has occasioned much commentary on a central question: Is the country better off now?

1918: Kaiser's Foresight

PARIS — It begins to look as though the Kaiser foresaw his doom when he talked some years ago about the Yellow Peril. He seems to have had the premonition that Japan would give the coup de grace to his Oriental ambitions. Germany has signed peace with the Bolsheviks, but she is still at war with the whole world. Far from lessening her difficulties, Germany has increased them for it has brought Japan into the European field. Lenin and Trotsky have said

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work with Tokyo on the global agenda: peacekeeping, Third World development and the environment. Americans can admit that while Japan's political system is not perfect, neither is their own. Entrenched interests on both sides impede change. Yet change must come. In its own interest, Japan cannot go on amassing huge trade surpluses without endangering the liberal trading order that has brought it prosperity and security. And the United States cannot continue to tolerate huge trade deficits with countries whose markets are less open than its own. We might even agree that change can best be brought about not through shocks but by careful pressure. Harsh attacks on Japan may well bring to power anti-American politicians and new waves of racism and jingoism on both sides. Japanese leaders tell me Japan is ready to negotiate a new post-Cold War relationship. Is America?



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OPINION

It's Nixon the Bipartisan
With His New World Tour

By William Safire

PARK RIDGE, New Jersey — "My partisan days are over."
Coming from Richard Nixon, who has raised more partisan ire than any American public figure in the past half-century, that's a stunning statement.
Back in 1966, the year of his first comeback, reporters listening to his longheaded world views would narrow their eyes and wonder about the "new" Nixon. I was present at the creation of his disarming and not defensive reply: "Of course there's a new Nixon — times change; there's a new America and a new world."
In 1993, at age 80, the American uniquely qualified to be foreign-policy elder statesman is renewing his role again. "There may be a need for a Vandenberg," he says, recalling the Republican senator whose name is still associated with bipartisanship in foreign policy. He has just returned from a grueling two-week private trip to Russia and

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other republics of the former Soviet Union. On Monday, he was to respond to an invitation from President Bill Clinton to report his findings and help educate his youthful successor on global power-playing. A month from now, he is off to Japan and China.
Last Wednesday night at 9:40, the White House operator reached the former president in his New Jersey town house. The operator then could not find Mr. Clinton, and apologized; Mr. Nixon said, "I'll wait; he's a helluva lot busier than I am." When Mr. Clinton came on, they talked for nearly 40 minutes.
I tried to find out what was said in that call (recommended to Mr. Clinton by Bob Dole and Bob Strauss) and received a mock glower: One does not reveal confidences with presidents.

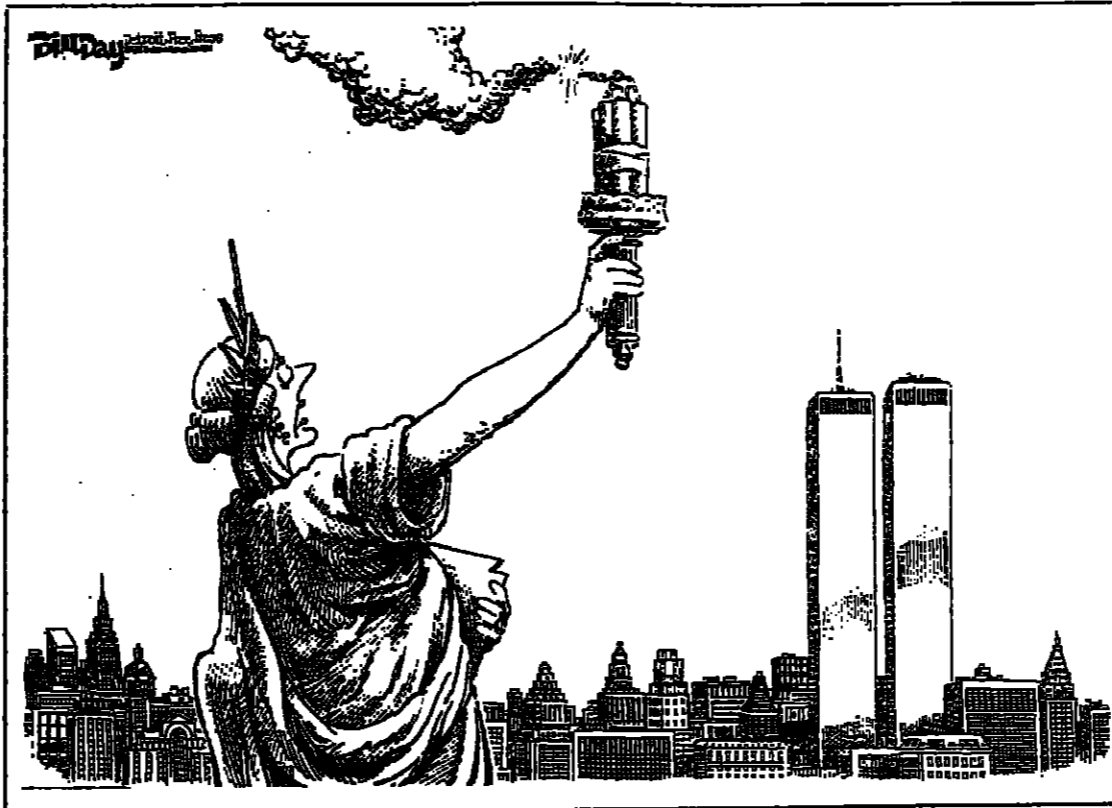
But Mr. Nixon, upon returning from abroad, always writes his thoughts and sticks to them; his long article on The Times's Op-Ed page (1/17, March 6 and 8), which was later locked kindly upon publicly by Mr. Clinton, telegraphed his central points.
President Boris Yeltsin is not hard to read — charismatic, refreshingly straightforward — and if he were replaced, the West would not likely get a better hope for democracy in Russia, only a worse one.
The reformers need help from Western executives in developing an entrepreneurial class to attract private in-

vestment. In next month's summit meeting in Vancouver, Mr. Clinton should have specific ways "to put some meat on the table," as statesmen say, and Mr. Nixon has a few thoughts about that.

3. America's stakes in Russia's reform could not be higher, because Mr. Clinton's budget package would be a dead letter if Russian nationalists took over and the U.S. defense budget had to be increased.
Mr. Nixon is candid about his liking for Russians. "I'm a Russophile, but not a Commieophile."
He takes a visitor on a world tour. On Bosnia: "I'm more hawkish than Bush. You cannot work out a settlement unless there is a correlation of forces — the arms embargo was a mistake. Your colleague Gelb is right about that."
On China: "They can never hope to attract Taiwan if they stomp on democracy in Hong Kong. I'll tell them that in Beijing." Trade pressure for human rights? "It would be a mistake for us to weaken the private Chinese economy — that's the greatest pressure for political reform, and the next generation is more Chinese than Communist."
Japan: "It's really dumb for the Japanese to predicate help for Russia on four little islands."

America as world policeman: "Who the hell else do you want to lead the world — China, Japan, Germany? The UN? Russia and all those republics could be lost to freedom if America abdicates leadership."
Mr. Clinton's call to arms? Looking out across a snowy landscape, Mr. Nixon gives an indirect reply: "By making freedom work here, we set a powerful example. We have to exercise leadership that makes the world respect us and build a society that makes the world admire us. You see misery in Moscow, rich in spirit. That's the message to get across to kids these days. What a great chance for Clinton."
The 1996 campaign? Mr. Nixon, the old gleam in his eye, leans forward: "Republicans should forget about '96 and think about good candidates for '94 — you can't win seven Senate seats with turkeys. In '66, two years after the Gold-water debacle, we —"
He catches himself.
"Nope. I don't want to reduce my effectiveness in foreign affairs. My partisan days are over."
The New York Times.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Root of the Scourge

Watching the armed standoff with a cult leader in Texas and in the wake of the World Trade Center bombing, surely everyone's concern should be focused on the ease with which people can obtain weapons and explosives.

DONALD ARMSTRONG,
Cannes.

Death of a Child

Regarding "Child's Death: Random Shell, or Ramadan Message?" (Feb. 26):

I'm a 34-year-old father and company manager. When I started reading this article, I dropped the paper and started crying. Please put this kind of news on your front page as long as such barbarism continues. When men cease to weep, humanity breaks apart.

S. FISCHLER,
Antwerp.

A Special Place in Hell

Regarding "The Right to Secede" (Letters, Feb. 18) from Daria Mihailovic:

Indeed, as Croatia has seceded from Yugoslavia, why should not Krajina secede from Croatia — and the contained Croat communities secede from Krajina, and the Serbian enclaves within them secede from the communities, ad infinitum, all in the name of not "forcing two mutually antagonistic peoples to live together"? No matter that they have lived and worked together, if not in mutual respect then at least without bloodshed, for 45 years.

The curse of unbridled tribalism, ethnicity, nationalism, ideological and religious intolerance and — dare I say it? — "patriotism" has played a key role in the misfortunes of mankind through this century and seems to wax rather than wane in its final decade.
If we are each and all guilty of nurturing the embers of bigotry deep in our hearts, there must be a special place in hell for those of our leaders and opinion makers who use their positions and skills to fan and feed these embers into an all-consuming fire.

GERALD E. DIXON,
Geneva.

The Real Homosexual Risk

New reports that J. Edgar Hoover was a homosexual and was blackmailed by organized crime lead to certain conclusions and questions.

First, being a homosexual is no barrier to distinguished service to one's country. If the nation's top G-man was gay, why not a private in the army? Second, what is genuinely dangerous to national security is the closeted homosexual who is vulnerable to blackmail. How many hidden gays in the military are currently susceptible to such pressures?

REY BUONO,
Singapore.

A Woman's Right Prevails

Regarding "Clinton and Abortion" (Letters, Feb. 17):

Basil Cole has come up with the most imaginative locution I've seen yet from the anti-choice crowd when he refers to

a fetus as a distinct "organism of human life." He can't quite bring himself to call it a "human being," because, in fact, it is not. What it is, is a potential human being, a potential which, in the best of all possible worlds, we would all want to nurture and cherish.

But in this risk-riddled world, abortion remains a safety net for women whose lives are often severely limited in other ways. I long for the day women will no longer need or want abortions. That day had not yet arrived. Until it does, women need the choice.

Mr. Cole and others of similar conviction would have us believe that, in a world rife with injustices for the already-born, a pea-sized mass of differentiated tissue has rights that supersede those of a full-grown woman. I cannot agree.

No one thinks terminating a pregnancy is a pleasant decision. But abortion, legal or otherwise, will never be eliminated until the conditions that drive women to such drastic measures are abolished.

C. A. WALTERS,
Milan.

Yes, in God We Trust

Regarding "War of the Sexes" (Letters, Feb. 25) from Joanne Kohler:

Indeed, the word "God" does not occur in the U.S. Constitution. But the Declaration of Independence has no fewer than three direct references to a divine providence.

J. SHERIDAN,
Bergamo, Italy.A Life of Human Decency
Cannot Be Written Away

By Lally Weymouth

WASHINGTON — When I was a child, my father called my attention to words uttered by the Boston attorney Joseph Welch during the 1954 Army-McCarthy hearings. Mr. Welch, at one dramatic moment, hailed the Wisconsin senator in pudentence — Joe McCarthy was busy denouncing a young colleague of Mr. Welch's for prior left-wing ties — and asked the senator: "Sir, will you not stop? Have you no sense of decency?"

The phrase has been reverberating in my mind in recent weeks, ever since Carol Felsenthal's book "Power, Privi-

1946. Six months later, my grandfather, Eugene Meyer, who had bought The Post in 1933, left to become president of the World Bank and appointed my father publisher. Contrary to Ms. Felsenthal's account, my father enjoyed a close relationship with my mother's father, an investment banker who also had headed the Reconstruction Finance Corp. and the Federal Reserve Board.

As publisher of The Post, Philip Graham proceeded to build what is today a formidable communications empire. He started in 1948 by purchasing a majority stock position in WTOP radio, the local CBS affiliate. Two years later, he engineered with my grandfather the purchase of the local CBS television affiliate. In 1953, he bought another TV station, WJXT in Jacksonville, Florida.

MEANWHILE

lege and The Post: The Katharine Graham Story" appeared in print. The book is a hideous caricature of my father and a slanderous depiction of my family.

If my father, the late Philip L. Graham, publisher of The Post until his death in 1963, championed one cause above all others, it was that of decency. Yet in Ms. Felsenthal's callous account, Philip Graham is a cruel, power-mad, narcissistic anti-Semite.

All of this is a monstrous lie.

It is important to note that the chief victim of Ms. Felsenthal's pen is my mother, Katharine Graham, chairman of the board of The Washington Post Co. Nor do I emerge from her false rendering of history unscathed. But at least my mother and I are able to defend ourselves.

Moreover, my mother's role as one of the leading figures in American public life stands virtually unchallenged. My father, on the other hand, is no longer with us. In August it will be 30 years since — at age 48 — he took his life.

Thus it falls to me, at least in part, to set the record straight.

Born in Terry, South Dakota, in 1915, Philip Graham soon moved with his family to Dade County, Florida, where his father, Ernest, worked on a sugar cane plantation. My father attended the University of Florida and then Harvard Law School. After graduating from Harvard Law in 1939, he went on to clerk on the Supreme Court for Justice Stanley Reed and then for Justice Felix Frankfurter.

In 1941, my father, a staunch interventionist, worked in the Lend Lease program. When war broke out, he joined the army. He met and married Katharine Meyer in 1940. Ms. Felsenthal insists on describing my mother as some sort of victim — first of her allegedly tyrannical mother, then of my ostensibly cruel father. But my parents' friend, Philip Elman — the distinguished lawyer and Kennedy administration official — tells me that my mother was pretty, engaging and altogether able to hold her own in intellectually challenging company.

Phil Graham became associate publisher of The Washington Post in January

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Soon he and my grandfather acquired the Washington Times-Herald, a rival newspaper. That purchase represented a turning point in the history of The Post.

In 1961 he made his final major corporate acquisition, purchasing Newsweek. Aside from building a vast company committed to making public information accessible, Phil Graham, as the historian Arthur Schlesinger Jr. wrote shortly after my father's death, wielded "immense influence on people and affairs behind the scenes in Washington."

Phil Graham gave all of his children a prism through which to view people and life. He taught us a creed summarized in a letter he wrote to me in 1960: "Each of us is equally a unique individual, deserving of the common decencies."

Ms. Felsenthal's book and the reviews it has received promote the conclusion that my three brothers and I endured a painful childhood, burdened by one parent who was a veritable monster and another who was nothing more than a pitiful victim. Nothing could be further from the truth.

Toward the end of his short life, my father's mind was ravaged by a cruel and unrelenting emotional illness — one that was attended by aberrant behavior. (Today, the illness is treated pharmacologically.) It required him to be hospitalized. From his hospital, he wrote to me on July 20, 1963: "I'll keep trying, and before long I'll be doing better."

As it turned out, he could try no longer. A few days later he took his own life.

Phil Graham was animated by a vision, which his wife and children have endeavored to carry forward. He held that The Post should be "an independent newspaper, fixed with a love of liberty, capable of indignation over injustice, and aware of the destiny and responsibility of America as a world leader."

But it is also well to remember that he — like my mother and her children — believed in the overriding importance of simple and fundamental human decency.

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Bus Ambush Kills 4 Blacks, 3d in Week in South Africa

Johannesburg — Four blacks were killed and eight were wounded Monday when gunmen ambushed a bus near Pietermaritzburg, the third mass shooting near the eastern city in a week.

The attacks are part of the rivalry between the African National Congress and the Inkatha Freedom Party, the country's two largest black groups.

A police spokesman, Captain Henry Budhrum, said the bus was attacked near Wartburg, about 50 kilometers (about 30 miles) east of Pietermaritzburg.

CRIME: Anarchy in South Africa

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can you do if the cops won't help?"

This day was merely a typical day, filled with merely typical mayhem. But some mornings the fare is even more horrific in this city, which has described itself as the crime capital of the world: An elderly couple's throats slit by intruders; a child's sexual organ chopped off to make *muti*, a magic potion; a man burned to death after being found guilty in a township "people's court."

The murder rate in South Africa has doubled in the past four years; on a per-capita basis, this country is now 10 times deadlier than the United States. Of the 19,400 murders committed last year in South Africa — excluding its 10 homelands — fewer than 2,500 had a political motive, police say.

Last week a newspaper calculated that Johannesburg, the financial, industrial and population hub of the nation, was twice as deadly a place to live in as Rio de Janeiro, which used to be considered the world's murder capital.

There is no mystery about the cause of the crime wave. South Africa is in the midst of a profound transition from apartheid to democracy. The old order is dead; the new order has not yet been born. In the interim, institutions have lost their legitimacy and social anarchy has taken over.

"Long transitions are inherently dangerous, but we have a special situation here — a history of the state having used violence to enforce its political will," said Lloyd Vogelman, director of the Center for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation at the University of Witwatersrand.

"Once you lift the repressive lid, all of the resentments, all of the desire for revenge, all of the assertiveness that had been bottled up for so long have a chance to be expressed," he said.

There are other aggravating factors. The three-year political transition has coincided with a steep recession. In a nation of 31 million people, 9 million to 15 million live below the poverty line — alongside some of the more exclusive neighborhoods this side of Beverly Hills.

"One of the things that has changed since then is that a culture of violence has taken hold in the black townships. It started in the 1970s and the 1980s, as a response to apartheid-era state repression. But the thuggery, born of 'the struggle,' now mostly serves the end of crime.

Then there is the problem of the police. For decades they were the heavy-booted enforcers of apartheid; now they are the leading victims of its demise.

A record 226 policemen were slain last year, making law enforcement here a career that is a dozen times deadlier than it is in the United States.

Fighting Mars Start of Afghan Accord

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (Reuters) — Gulbuddin Hekmatyar formally accepted the post of prime minister on Monday, and President Burhanuddin Rabbani said the two arch-enemies had resolved to start afresh.

But rockets slammed into the western suburbs of Kabul just hours after the warring Afghan leaders signed a peace accord in Islamabad to end 11 months of fighting in the city. Three people were killed and 25 injured.

The government blamed members of a minority party, the Islamic Coalition Council of Afghanistan, but party said the government fired first. Thousands of people have died in battles for power since the rebels overthrew the Communist government in April.



A group of Muslim refugees awaiting medical help on Monday in Donje Mostre, a village northwest of Sarajevo, the Bosnian capital.

BALKANS: Bosnian Quits the Peace Talks and Orders Attack on Serbs

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On Saturday, military leaders of the Bosnian Serbs told General Morillon that they would not permit relief workers to evacuate even the wounded and sick from the trapped Muslim enclaves of Cerska and Srebrenica until Serbs were allowed to organize an exodus of Serbs from Tuzla and other nearby towns under Bosnian government control, said UN officials in Tuzla.

The Bosnian commander said government troops in the east should support an offensive to lift the siege of Konjevic Polje and Srebrenica.

A UN spokesman, Commander Barry Frewer, said Mr. Halilovic pulled out of talks with General Mladic, the Bosnian Serbian commander, on a truce for eastern Bosnia.

General Morillon had scheduled a meeting with them on Monday to discuss a possible cease-fire.

Anders Levinson, a UN refugee official in Tuzla, quoted Dr. Simon Mardell of the World Health Organization as saying that people in Srebrenica required urgent medical attention and that many needed evacuation.

"The medivac is extremely urgent on humanitarian grounds," he quoted Dr. Mardell as reporting by radio. He said the doctor had said he had witnessed "the worst hospital conditions" he had ever seen in his "years of work in Afghanistan, Liberia and other places."

(AP, AFP, Reuters, NYT)

Iraq Detains 2 Pakistanis

KUWAIT — Iraqi authorities have detained two Pakistani soldiers who drove by mistake last Thursday into Kuwait into Iraq, United Nations observers said Monday. A spokesman for the UN mission said that they "accidentally but illegally entered Iraq after taking a wrong turn at a junction."

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2 Rightists Indicted in Arson Murders

(Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches)

FRANKFURT — Two rightist extremists were indicted Monday for a firebombing that killed three Turks in November.

The two men were charged with three counts of murder, attempted murder and arson for the firebombing of a building in the northern German town of Mölln, according to the chief federal prosecutor.

The attack was the deadliest in more than 2,200 acts of violence against foreigners in the last year, in which 17 people have died.

In Berlin, a court sentenced seven young arsonists to up to three years of youth detention for setting afire a home for asylum-seekers in August. The seven, aged 17 to 21, were found guilty of arson and serious breaches of the peace. They were cleared of charges of attempted murder.

The Mölln attack killed a Turkish woman, 51, who had been a longtime resident in Germany, her daughter, 10, and her niece, 14.

It outraged the nation and prompted a crackdown on rightist groups. Some view the reaction as a turning point that helped to quell weeks of neo-Nazi attacks that started in late August.

The Federal Prosecutor's Office said Michael Peters, 25, and Lars Christiansen, 19, were indicted in the Mölln arson attack, which also injured five people.

In addition, they were charged with attempted murder and arson in another firebombing in Mölln that injured nine Turks.

Mr. Peters was also charged with attempted murder and arson in two other cases outside Mölln, which is about 40 kilometers (25 miles) east of Hamburg.

Mr. Peters was arrested Nov. 24, while Mr. Christiansen was arrested Nov. 28. They are being held in prison while awaiting trial.

Mr. Peters has told that police he and Mr. Christiansen had telephoned the police and the fire brigade after each blaze in Mölln to report them, ending with the words "Heil Hitler."

Mr. Christiansen slashed his wrists in a prison cell in December in the Baltic port of Lübeck, where he has been held since his arrest.

Meanwhile, unidentified attackers firebombed Turkey's consulate in Hamburg and smeared it with paint, the police said. A group of about 15 people threw a firebomb and five paint bombs at the building late Sunday before fleeing, a police spokesman said.

There were no injuries. The fire was put out by guards outside the building. (AP, Reuters)

German Elections Herald Decline of Traditional Parties

(Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches)

BONN — The Social Democrats, the big losers in voting in which the far-right Republicans surged beyond all predictions, promised Monday that they would take a tougher opposition policy in Bonn to show how they could protect "the little man" against social spending cuts planned by Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

The vote Sunday was seen as a further blow to the established parties and a harbinger of mounting frustration with the failure of most politicians to solve problems that have arisen since German reunification in 1990.

"We will see dramatic changes in the political landscape next year," predicted Joschka Fischer, the leader of Hesse's Greens, which also picked up strength Sunday. "Unification covered up much of what is now coming out."

The Social Democratic mayor of Frankfurt, Andreas von Schoeler, said that "this was much more than a regional election," adding that the voting showed that the main parties "had difficulties adjusting to the changed relations after German reunification."

The anti-foreigner Republicans, who are under investigation on suspicion of being anti-democratic, won 8.3 percent of the vote Sunday in local elections across Hesse, and won 9.5 percent in Frankfurt, Germany's financial capital.

The Social Democrats, the traditional power in the prosperous western state and the main opposition party in Bonn, plunged 8.4 percentage points from Hesse's 1989 local election, to 36.4 percent.

"There are no mass parties any more," said Daniel Cohn-Bendit of the Greens, another big winner with 11 percent. "There are only former mass parties that cannot integrate their fringes."

Johannes Rau, vice president of the Social Democrats, attributed his party's poor showing to "losing touch with reality" while another member of his office, Heidemarie Wiecezorek-Zeul, said it was a "warning signal from voters."

Mr. Kohl said Monday that he hoped the Social Democrats would now stop blocking progress on a "solidarity pact" for economic recovery. The chancellor, who attributed the gains by the Republicans in Hesse to "endless arguments" in Bonn, said: "I have a clear intention to compromise."

The Social Democrats and the Christian Democrats have been fighting for months over the solidarity pact, intended to help finance reunification.

"There must be no cuts in social welfare, unemployment, and rent support," said Hesse's Social Democratic premier, Hans Eichel. "If someone insists on that, then there won't be any solidarity pact."

He acknowledged that party leaders were quarreling too often in public and said: "There are too many soloists on the stage."

Mr. Kohl's Christian Democrats slipped 2.3 percent to 32 percent, a result that was better than expected for a party facing dissatisfaction from voters fed up with politicians.

The next national elections are 21 months away. Latest opinion polls give the Social Democrats 39 percent, the Christian Democrats 35 percent, the Greens 9 percent, the conservative Free Democrats 9 percent and the Republicans only 3 percent.



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How Will Israel Spend the Money? U.S. Watches Closely

By Clyde Haberman
New York Times Service

JERUSALEM — For many months they held center stage in U.S.-Israeli relations, becoming a barometer of how the countries were getting along. President George Bush withheld them from Israel to punish one prime minister, Yitzhak Shamir, then handed them as a reward to a triumphant new leader, Yitzhak Rabin.

Now, with political squabbles set aside, Israel is about to go to market using the much-disputed American loan guarantees, which will make it easier for Israel to borrow up to \$10 billion over the next five years to help generate jobs for a large influx of new immigrants.

The first \$1 billion in these U.S.-backed loans are expected within a month, and Finance Minister Avraham Shohat says they will be used for telecommunications, power generation, roads and other infrastructure improvements.

While the United States is not putting up its own money — only its assurance that it will cover bad debts should the Israelis default — it will closely monitor how the borrowed cash is spent.

Most of all, U.S. officials say, they want to be sure

that none of it winds up in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, as Washington believes was the case under Mr. Shamir two years ago with a smaller batch of U.S.-guaranteed loans.

Mr. Shohat has reportedly acknowledged to American Jewish leaders that Israel's spending habits "will be under a microscope" for quite a while.

Loan guarantees aside, questions have arisen about how much longer Israelis can count on the substantial amount of regular U.S. aid — \$3 billion a year — that their leaders have come to expect as their due. In recent weeks, they have heard fresh American warnings that while the aid looks safe for 1994, they had better not take it for granted in following years.

"The commitment of the American government and people to Israel is not in question, now or in the future," William C. Harrop, the U.S. ambassador to Israel, said Thursday. "But it may prove difficult to maintain our economic aid at its current high level."

On Friday, the State Department distanced itself from Mr. Harrop's remarks, saying that "he was not speaking on instructions" from Washington. Nonetheless, the ambassador merely echoed what the Israelis had already heard from others, including members of Congress.

The \$3 billion a year amounts to 8 percent of Israel's government budget and 5 percent of its gross national product, but Israelis disagree among themselves about how indispensable that total is.

Not vital at all, say some, conspicuously rightists who argue that the less that Israel depends on Washington's largesse, the less vulnerable it will be to U.S. pressure to give up settlement activity and land in the territories.

But that is not the view of the present government, and when Mr. Rabin leaves this week for the United States and a first meeting with President Bill Clinton, one of his priorities will be to nail down existing aid levels.

A few weeks ago, staging the equivalent of a preemptive strike to protect the assistance, the prime minister said Israel "is entitled, more than entitled" to the \$3 billion it has been getting since the mid-1980s. Foreign Minister Shimon Peres also said inflation had cut the value of the aid package by about one-third over the years.

Moreover, Israeli officials note that relatively little of this money ends up in government coffers. Of the total, \$1.2 billion is considered economic aid, but it goes back to Washington to repay old Israeli

debts for military purchases. Of the \$1.8 billion in military aid, more than 70 percent must be spent on U.S.-made equipment and weapons, and thus, the Israelis argue, it helps create American jobs.

Even so, some Israelis and their American Jewish supporters acknowledge that talk about Israel's entitlement may not sit well in Washington at a time when foreign aid is unpopular and other countries also are demanding attention.

Israel, the largest single recipient, accounts for 20 percent of the total foreign-aid budget, and even a supporter like Senator Daniel K. Inouye, Democrat of Hawaii, has warned against thinking "it will go on forever."

Questions about Israeli dependence on Washington also extend to the loan guarantees, which provide Israel favorable bank terms that it probably would not receive on its own: 30-year borrowing, low interest rates and no repayment of the principal for the first 10 years.

The terms are so good that Mr. Shohat recently asked the Israel Bonds organization, which had raised a record \$1.2 billion worldwide last year, to scale back its own more costly borrowing by about 20 percent.



EGYPT MURDER TRIAL — Relatives of Islamic fundamentalists charged with the 1990 assassination of Egypt's National Assembly speaker taking notes on Monday at a hearing in a Cairo court.

Assad Failing? No, Envoys Say Spartan Life Seems to Put Illnesses in Check

By Nora Boustany
Washington Post Service

DAMASCUS — Rumors that President Hafez Assad is in failing health come and go but are largely unfounded, according to foreign officials who have met with him, ambassadors who have presented their credentials in recent weeks and numerous aides.

Mr. Assad, 62, has ruled Syria since coming to power in a military coup 22 years ago. His strong leadership put an end to the country's series of coups d'état, and Syrians and others now express fears that if he were absent from the scene as Damascus becomes more engaged in peace talks with Israel, it would be destabilizing for Syria and the whole region.

Suffering from diabetes and what is described here as a manageable heart problem, Mr. Assad still works long hours, reportedly leading a spartan life of frugal meals and no private pleasures. "He has

become a monk for himself and a monk for Syria," an Arab ambassador observed.

In any case, Mr. Assad appears to be grooming his son Basil, 30, a civil engineer and army major, for an eventual role as statesman.

"If Assad jogs 10 miles, he will probably collapse, but he is very careful. He knows Syria needs him for another few years. Otherwise, the work of his lifetime will go down the drain," a diplomat said.

The prospect of the passing of their leader, whether now or in 10 years, has many Syrians worrying about what could happen in a power struggle — possibly between contenders from the majority Sunni Muslim sect or from the ruling minority Alawite sect.

"If Assad goes, nobody knows what direction Syria will take," a member of his ruling Ba'ath Party confided, although Mr. Assad insists that the institutions he has founded will steer Syria out of

any major crisis in his absence. A recent shake-up of military intelligence officers, and the promotion of Ali Douba, head of military intelligence and a longtime trusted associate of Mr. Assad's, to deputy chief of staff for security affairs, has spawned a new cycle of rumors.

Some Syria watchers say the shake-up is linked to drug trafficking and corruption charges against three of General Douba's minor aides, but others insist it is part of the preparations for a post-Assad transition.

The presence of Mr. Assad's younger brother, Rifaat, who had been exiled to Europe in 1985 for attempting to seize power during the president's first major illness, has added to the intrigue.

Rifaat Assad was allowed back in August for their mother's funeral and reportedly was pardoned, but he has yet to be given back his perquisites and powers as one of three appointed vice presidents.

As Israel Lifts Gaza Closure, 2 Palestinians Slay Jewish Boss

Reuters

GAN'OR, Israeli-Occupied Gaza Strip — Two Palestinians fatally stabbed their Jewish settler employer in the Gaza Strip on Monday, raising to four the number of Jews killed by Arabs in a week, military sources said.

The settler, Uri Magidish, 39, was taking the two Palestinians to work at his residence in Gan'Or, a Jewish settlement in southern Gaza, when he was killed.

The stabbing occurred hours after Israel lifted a closure order on the strip's 750,000 Palestinians, enabling some 30,000 workers to go to jobs in Israel for the first time in six days.

Later, Jewish settlers returning from the funeral opened fire on Arab workers, hitting at least two people, Palestinian witnesses said. The police were checking the report.

Israel Radio said the Arabs in-

voiced in the settler's killing had worked for Mr. Magidish as day laborers for several weeks and that their identity was known. Palestinians said the Fatah Hawks, linked to the mainstream wing of the Palestine Liberation Organization, claimed responsibility for the attack.

Leaders of Gaza's 3,000 settlers called for a crackdown in the strip. Israel sealed off the area Tuesday after a knife-wielding Gazan killed

two Israelis and wounded eight in Tel Aviv.

When six Israeli soldiers were killed in a week in December, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin expelled 415 Palestinians to Lebanon.

Arab-Israeli violence has increased since Mr. Rabin expelled the Palestinians, accusing them of links to militant Muslim groups. Jews have killed 52 Arabs and Arabs have killed eight Jews — four in the last week.

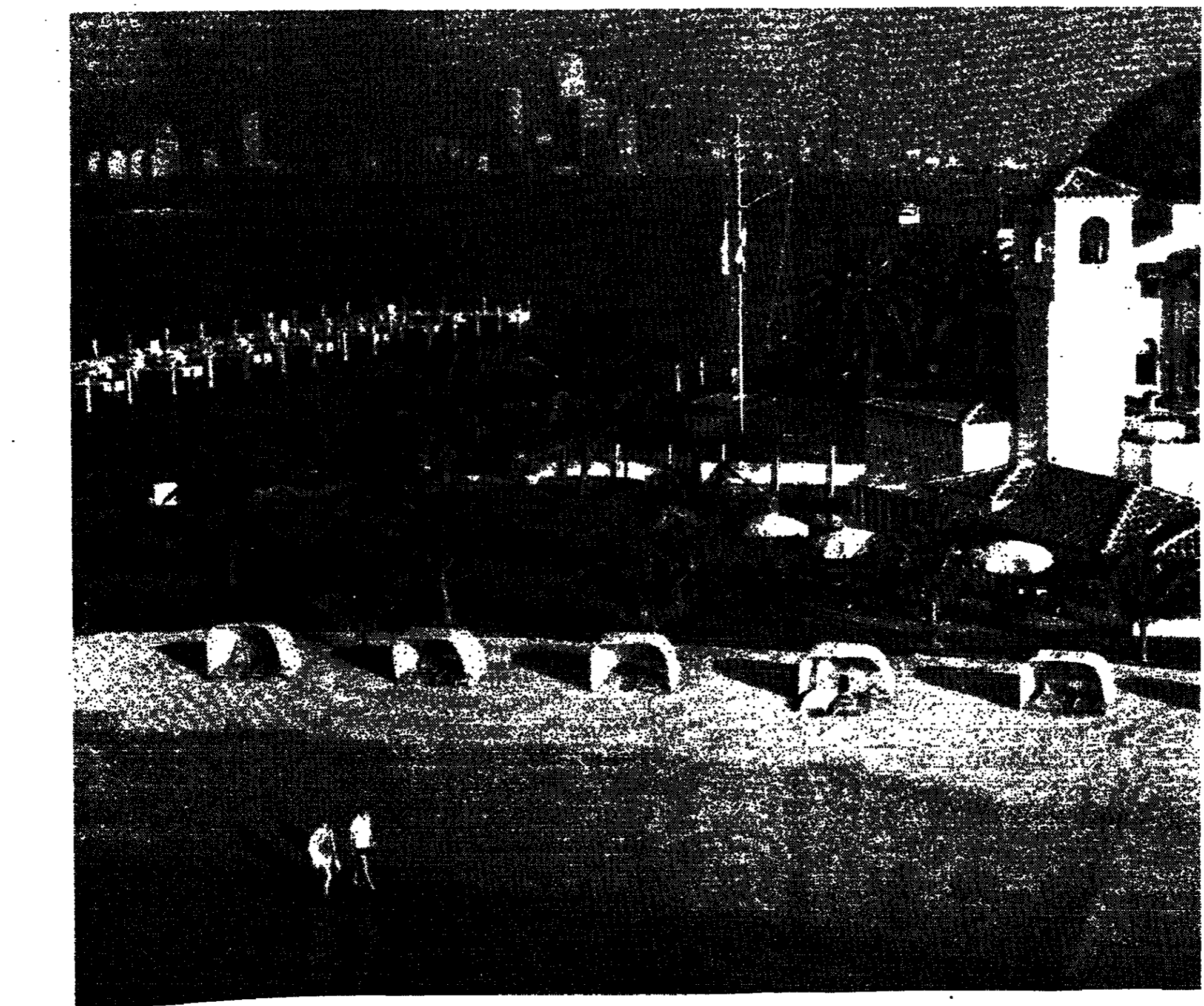
The army had said the closure would enable it to review procedures for granting Gazans work and exit permits and to prevent Israeli-Gazan violence.

Palestinians and human rights groups denounce closure orders as collective punishment.

Israeli officials acknowledge that closures create a "pressure cooker" among Gazans, many of whom depend on low-paying jobs in Israel for their livelihood.

But Deputy Defense Minister Mordechai Gur, who had observed the lifting of the closure at Erez, said there was no direct link between sealing off Gaza and the settler's stabbing death.

"There are many elements in the Palestinian population that oppose coexistence, that oppose the peace talks, that attack Jews and Israelis wherever they are, and we have to fight this endlessly," he told army radio.



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China Open to Hong Kong Talks - With Britain Only

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches HONG KONG — China is prepared to resume talks with Britain on Hong Kong as long as London accepts two Chinese demands that exclude Hong Kong citizens from the negotiating process.

It was unknown whether Britain would accept the new demands, which effectively deny Hong Kong's 5.9 million residents, as represented by the Legislative Council, any say over their future.

Another delay in publishing his proposals, the first step toward their consideration by the legislature. China insists that the 60-member Legislative Council is merely a consultative body and has no legal authority to ratify, accept or modify agreements, the report said.

China has said that Mr. Patten's blueprint, as it stands, violated various Chinese-British agreements. In the past, China has threatened to replace the colony's government in 1997 and void all business contracts signed by the British colonial government without Beijing's approval.

In Japan, No Letup On Jailed Politician

TOKYO — Shin Kanemaru, the former powerbroker who is in jail on tax evasion charges, diverted political donations worth 2.8 billion yen for private use, Japanese dailies reported Monday.

Prosecutors, who let Mr. Kanemaru refuse even to appear for questioning, came under strong attack for what seemed like kid-glove treatment of a man who at the time was one of Japan's most powerful politicians.

10,000 Angolans Were Killed in UNITA Victory in Huambo

Washington Post Service JOHANNESBURG — The Angolan rebel movement UNITA has taken control of the key central highlands city of Huambo in the most decisive military victory by either side since the civil war resumed four months ago.

The battle lasted 56 days and is thought to have cost more than 10,000 lives, making it the deadliest in the 17-year history of post-independence strife in Angola. Most of the dead were civilians.

which would be a violation of a 1991 peace accord brokered by the United States, Portugal and Russia — if it was to survive the current military crisis. The new Angolan parliament, voted in last September in an election which the United Nations de-

clared to be fair but which UNITA claimed was fraudulent, was expected to approve a bill reinstating compulsory military service this week. Meanwhile, the UNITA leader Jonas Savimbi, whose whereabouts were not known, was expected to make a radio address Tuesday at which he would outline his peace plan and offer proposals about humanitarian aid for the victims of the conflict.

His arrest Saturday was unceremonious. Mr. Kanemaru was taken straight from a Tokyo hotel to the capital's Kojima detention center. The dailies said that he would be indicted no later than March 13, before the March 14 deadline for pressing charges on 1987 tax infractions. If found guilty, he would face a maximum five-year prison term or a 500 million yen fine.

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Demand for Cash Spins Out Hoax

TEL AVIV — Belgrade airport authorities' demands for hard cash stranded the victims of a hijacking hoax in the Yugoslav capital for seven hours Sunday, Sabena officials said.

"They don't take anything but cash in Belgrade now," said Guy Van Den Vos, the Sabena manager in Israel. Belgrade authorities had demanded 5,000 Deutsche marks (\$3,000) as a fee for use of the airport. The Belgian Embassy provided the money.

Unconfirmed reports which have filtered out from combatants suggested that the city has been reduced to rubble, that bodies have been rotting in the streets and that the population of 400,000 has been without water or electricity for two months.

It had earlier stalled lower house discussions on the finance bill for weeks before finally agreeing to pass it on Saturday, just hours before prosecutors swooped.

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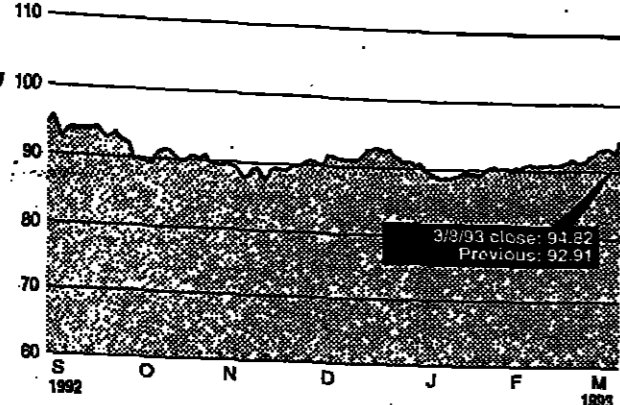
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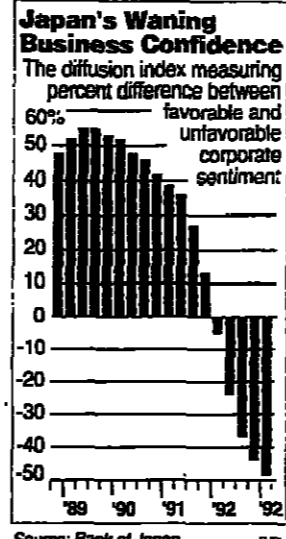
Seeks Global Pact After GATT Deal

BRUSSELS — The EC Commission president, Jacques Delors, called Monday for an international agreement on social issues to be negotiated between the signatory nations of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Japan Gloomy on Economy Business Confidence Hits a 20-Year Low

By Steven Brill

International Herald Tribune TOKYO — Japanese business confidence has sunk to its lowest level in nearly two decades, the Bank of Japan said Monday in a report that will add pressure on the government to stimulate the economy further or risk a backlash from trading partners and in elections expected this fall.



Source: Bank of Japan

The diffusion index measuring percent difference between favorable and unfavorable corporate sentiment.

Businesses said they had made little progress in reducing bloated inventories and planned to cut overall capital spending by 4.2 percent in the fiscal year beginning April 1. Pretax profits during the year are expected to rise 4.4 percent for major manufacturers and 1 percent for non-manufacturers.

Stocks Rocket To Record Close, Bond Rally Wilts

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

NEW YORK — Wall Street and London stock markets soared to record highs on Monday, but U.S. Treasury bond prices took a late hit as investors apparently decided the recent rally had gone far enough.

2,958.7, rising in sympathy with Wall Street.

Hopes of an imminent economic recovery are beginning to emerge, and expectations of lower German interest rates were also helping the market. After London closed, however, Hans Tietmeyer, the Bundesbank vice president, said it was neither necessary nor appropriate for the German central bank to cut its key interest rates now.

INTERNATIONAL STOCKS Dutch Stock Market Aims To Reclaim Lost Ground

By Jon Henley Special to the Herald Tribune AMSTERDAM — The Amsterdam Stock Exchange, which claims to be the oldest regular stock market in the world, is planning changes to stem a flow of Dutch equity business to the City of London.

Japan Weighs Broader Protection for Consumers

By Andrew Pollack

NEW YORK — Japanese consumers now have a test case of just how committed the government is to protecting their rights.

Evans's Random House: It Glitters, but Does It Make Money?

By Geraldine Fabrikant

NEW YORK — Changing careers at a senior level is a tricky business in any industry, let alone the fiercely competitive book industry.

Mr. Evans also has a number of talented new writers into the Random House pipeline, and S.J. Newhouse, the chairman of Condé Nast Publications, has approved a new long-term contract for Mr. Evans.

Mr. Evans said he was trying to preclude a more expensive bidding war, adding that he had found publishing to be "like drilling for oil" in that "if you strike oil, you have paid for 10 or 20 dry holes."

Suzanne de Passe, a television producer, a veteran of Motown Records and one of the few black women executives in Hollywood, is not a household name, yet Mr. Evans gave her a \$1 million advance.

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Profit-Taking Pulls Dollar Back Down

NEW YORK — The dollar weakened against the Deutsche mark and the yen on Monday as investors took profits from the U.S. currency's meteoric rise Friday, traders said.

The dollar slipped to 1.6635 DM from 1.6690 DM late Friday and fell to 116.75 yen from 117.65 yen.

Foreign Exchange

The U.S. currency declined to 1.5400 Swiss francs from 1.5458 francs and to 5.6405 French francs from 5.6555.

Although weaker against the mark, the dollar probably will hold most of the ground it gained last week, traders and analysts said.

"The dollar is in good shape at the moment," said Keith Cheveralls, foreign-exchange manager at Nippon Credit Bank in New York.

The dollar jumped to a 1993 high of 1.6742 DM on Friday after the U.S. Labor Department said 365,000 more Americans got jobs in February, three times the number that was expected.

Continued economic growth in the United States and prospects for lower interest rates in Germany

STOCKS: Dow Soars to Record

(Continued from first finance page) billion to \$100 billion to the economy by refinancing loans at the record interest rates available, cutting their monthly payments and providing more spending money.

Adding to the overall cheer, Susan Phillips, a member of the Federal Reserve Board, said in New Mexico that interest rates could fall from

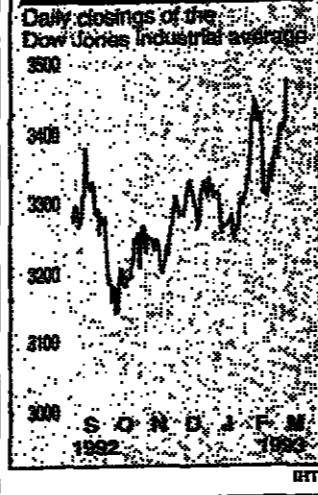
their already low levels. "There is still room to come down significantly," she told reporters before addressing a meeting of state bankers at the University of New Mexico.

Humana was the most-active issue on the New York Stock Exchange, up 1/4 to 6 1/2. The health-plan company spun off its hospital operations off into Galen Health Care Inc., which traded at 13.

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Blockbuster to Buy 48% of Spelling

FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida (Bloomberg) — Blockbuster Entertainment Corp., the home-video and music retailer, said Monday it would acquire 48.2 percent of the television producer Spelling Entertainment Group Inc. in exchange for 7.6 million of its shares.

The Blockbuster shares will be issued to American Financial Corp., a property and casualty insurance underwriter controlled by the investor Carl Lindner, that owns the Spelling stock warrants to buy Blockbuster.

Blockbuster will also issue to American Financial warrants to buy another 2 million shares for \$25 a share. The warrants will expire at either the third anniversary of the closing of the transaction or when American Financial owns less than half the Blockbuster shares issued at the closing, whichever comes first.

Turner Is Taking Cartoons Abroad

ATLANTA (AP) — Turner Broadcasting System Inc. said Monday it was expanding its Cartoon Network and TNT channels in Europe and Latin America.

The latest moves will introduce the Cartoon Network, an all-animation channel, and TNT, a showcase for old movies, to Europe, Latin America, which already gets a version of TNT, will add the Cartoon Network, which already gets a version of TNT, will add the Cartoon Network.

In Europe, the Cartoon Network will be shown 14 hours a day and TNT will follow for 10 hours. Initially, the programming will be delivered from a London base in English, with subtitles dubbed in French, Swedish and Norwegian. In Latin America, the Cartoon Channel will be available in English, Spanish and Portuguese.

Trident to Buy Occidental's Stake

WOODLANDS, Texas (Reuters) — Trident Inc., formed in August 1991 by Hicks, Muse & Co. and Occidental Petroleum Corp., said Monday it had reached a definitive agreement to acquire Occidental's 45 percent stake in Trident for \$121.5 million, subject to the completion of financing.

If said the transaction, which is expected to close by mid-May, would be funded by the purchase of \$30 million in new equity in Trident by an investor group led by Hicks Muse, and the sale of about \$105 million in subordinated notes by Trident.

Stover Unit Buys Into Whitman's

KANSAS CITY (Bloomberg) — An affiliate of Russell Stover Candies has bought some assets and the trade name of Pet Inc.'s Whitman's Chocolates business for an undisclosed amount of cash, the companies said Monday.

As a result, Pet said it would liquidate the rest of Whitman's assets and realize total proceeds of about \$35 million. The transaction will result in an after-tax charge for discontinued operations of about \$15 million to \$20 million, or 14 cents to 19 cents a share, in Pet's financial third quarter. The charge results mainly from the cost of shutting down plants, Pet said.

Weekend Box Office

Table of weekend box office including 'Falling Down', 'Groundhog Day', and others.

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Table of U.S. Futures including S&P 500, Dow Jones, and others.

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Storebrand Profit Battered by Skandia

OSLO — UNI Storebrand, the biggest Norwegian insurer, said on Monday it had a loss of 3.38 billion kroner (\$480.4 million) in 1992 after a failed bid to take control of a Swedish rival pushed it into the hands of government-appointed administrators.

4.75 billion kroner in 1991, by 2.63 billion kroner during 1992. "The company will work actively for a quick sale of the shares in Skandia at the best possible price," UNI Storebrand said. But Skandia said last week that there were no likely buyers for the stake.

UNI Storebrand tried to force Skandia into a Scandinavian insurance alliance in 1991 to face international competition, especially as Norway and Sweden increase their links with European Community countries. Skandia refused, setting off a series of crises at UNI and its Danish ally, Hafnia Holding A/S. The hurricane designated Andrew in the United States also contributed to the problems, pushing the international division to a pre-tax loss of 546 million kroner from a 64 million profit a year earlier. UNI Storebrand is planning to scale back its international operations. Domestically, the news was bet-

ter. Pretax profit from domestic life insurance rose to 1.91 billion kroner from 1.09 billion, and profit from nonlife insurance also gained to 345 million kroner from 281 million. The company, trying to work out a deal with creditors to allow it to raise capital and regain a listing on the Oslo bourse, forecast that results in its underlying insurance business would improve in 1993 because of higher premiums, reduced risk in investments and an economic upswing.

Alone, UNI Storebrand New lost 1.4 billion kroner last year. In 1991, the predecessor company had a 129.4 million kroner deficit. Combined sales in 1992 for the two companies were 20.47 billion kroner, up from 16.13 billion at the original UNI Storebrand. In the future the international operations will only handle reinsurance, and the company will transfer marine, oil, satellite and liability

Property Weakness Hits Indosuez Net

PARIS — Banque Indosuez reported Monday that its net profit plummeted 88 percent last year, largely due to weakness in the real estate and equipment-leasing sectors.

Despite the fall in profit, to 101 million francs (\$18 million), from 805 million a year earlier, shares at the bank's parent, Compagnie de Suez, continued to surge on the Paris Bourse. They jumped 2.5 francs to 320.70 in heavy trading marked by rumors of a hostile takeover bid. The rumors up to now, none of them confirmed — have pushed the company's share price up by around 9 percent in the past three trading days.

The chairman of Indosuez, Antoine Jeancourt-Galignani, said

that the bank's sharp decline in net profit came after 3.6 billion francs in net provisions were set aside to cover loans in the depressed real-estate sector, more than twice as much as the provisions for 1991. He said the bank carried out "a strict policy of setting aside provisions to cover its property claims and assets, to reduce them to their market value."

Mr. Jeancourt-Galignani added that the bank's gross operating profit was up 9.1 percent, to 3.78 billion francs, while net banking income grew 3.4 percent to 11.31 billion francs.

The bank's loss comes just a few days after its parent, Suez, announced that it could report a loss of as much as 1.9 billion francs for 1992, its first-ever. Suez also cited the slump in the Paris real estate sector. The speculation of a hostile takeover began at the same time, but for now, it is not clear who is buying the company's shares.

Investor's Europe

Table with columns for Frankfurt DAX, London FTSE 100, Paris CAC 40, Amsterdam CBS Trend, Brussels Stock Index, Frankfurt DAX, Frankfurt FAZ, Helsinki HEX, London Financial Times 30, London FTSE 100, Madrid General Index, Milan MIB, Paris CAC 40, Stockholm Aftersvevarden, Vienna Stock Index, Zurich SBS. Includes 'Very briefly' section.

Cook Tries to Stop Airtours

LONDON — The travel company Thomas Cook Group Ltd. on Monday offered £29 million (\$41.9 million) for 12.5 percent of Owners Abroad Group PLC in a bid to prevent Airtours PLC from acquiring the rival tour operator. German-owned Thomas Cook said its cash offer of 150 pence a share was conditional on a rejection of the Airtours bid. It said the purchase would cement an alliance struck in December between itself, the German travel group Lufttransport Unternhmen GmbH, which owns 14 percent of Cook, and Owners Abroad. But Airtours Chairman David Crossland criticized the Cook offer as "a wrecking move supported by a desperate board."

Czechs Nudge Koruna Rate Higher

PRAGUE — The Czech central bank revalued the koruna Monday by 2 percent against the European Currency Unit to curb a rapid decline in trade between the Czech and Slovak republics, the bank's spokesman said. The Ecu is used in a clearing system to settle trade between the Czech and Slovak republics. They abandoned the Czechoslovak koruna as their common currency, using separate units as of Feb. 8. According to the agreement on the split, the spokesman, Martin Svehla, said, "each party can revalue or devalue its currency against the Ecu by up to 5 percent." The Slovak central bank devalued the Slovak koruna by 5 percent earlier this month.

GERMANY: In East and West, Resentment at Costs

(Continued from page 1) will be difficult to bring down German, or other European, interest rates. Some officials and bankers say the eastern region still has the capacity to develop into the most modern part of Germany by the end of the century, much as the rebuilt German and Japanese economies became the envy of victorious nations after World War II.

From the Black Sea Coast To Hell in Three Years

BERLIN — On the face of it, Dietmar and Birgit Stengel have done all right under German unification. They have acquired a new Czech-made Skoda automobile, and their small apartment in the eastern part of this city boasts a new freezer and videocassette recorder. Yet the Stengels say their experience since East Germany was absorbed by West Germany two years ago can be summed up in one word: "hell." Their torment, as they describe it, has been made up of a string of lost jobs, intermittent unemployment, wasted training programs, a growing sense of anxiety and a financial squeeze. Beyond all this, they are angry at Germans from the west, whom they portray as arrogant colonizers. "The Stengels said they had not felt stifled under communism. "It's true that we could not travel to the West before," Mr. Stengel said. "But there were pleasant vacations within the former Soviet bloc. In fact, my wife and I met on the Black Sea coast. Now we cannot afford to go anywhere."

There are several reasons for such pessimism. The most important is wages. While salary levels in the east have risen to about 65 percent of those in western Germany, and are supposed to reach 100 percent by the end of next year, the productivity rate is a little over a third of western Germany's. "There has to be a compromise on wages, putting off equalization for at least three years, or companies will simply collapse," said Uwe Reinert, managing director of the Jenoptik optical business in Jena. But one of his department managers, Winfried Klikmer, said, "Since everything we buy is at western prices, we would like our wages at the western level, too, as soon as possible."

AMSTERDAM: Stemming the Outflow of Trading

(Continued from first finance page) desire. Amsterdam is to go halfway to matching SEAQ by letting big trades bypass the hoeklieden but keeping their role in smaller deals. Under the new system, major operators will post their own price quotations on a computer screen and be able to deal one-on-one with the bourse and with partners on other exchanges. This right will be restricted to share packages over a certain size, known as the wholesale limit, in the 30 most-active stocks. Anyone wanting to trade smaller quantities, or any number of shares in the less-active issues, must still use the hoeklieden. Private investors, who account for about 12 percent of Amsterdam's trade, want a raw deal for the equities consumer. They fear the split will create a two-tier market, leaving them on the bottom. "Not only will they pay extra commission, but they also fear they will be at a disadvantage from not being able to see the prices the big fish are dealing at.

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40	30	Dell	0.00	0.0	15	40	30	35	+5

Compaq Trims PC Prices 2 Others Follow Suit, More Cuts Likely

HOUSTON — Compaq Computer Corp. on Monday eliminated list prices for its entire product line and announced discounts of as much as 20 percent on older personal computers and its new PageMaker printers.

Two other PC makers, NCR Corp. and Unisys Corp., also said they were lowering prices.

To battle Apple Computer Co. and International Business Machines Corp., as well as its archrival Dell Computer Co., Compaq also introduced a multimedia desktop model that includes an audio sound board, a CD-ROM drive and a color monitor for a price it said was "less than \$1,999."

Compaq said it would no longer publish suggested list prices in the United States for its desktops, notebooks and printer products. Instead, it said, prices it gives will be "estimated street prices." It said it took the action "to provide end users with a closer representation of actual buying prices."

The latest cuts, Compaq's first of the year, had been expected. Before the stock market opened Monday, Dell announced two new multimedia PCs, with suggested prices of \$1,499 and \$1,999.

Analysts said the aggressive moves by Compaq were likely to touch off another round of price cuts by IBM, Dell and other companies in the battle for market share that Compaq started in the personal-computer industry last June.

"Despite all this discounting, Compaq's still way ahead of the curve," said Michael K. Kwiatetz, PC analyst for Sanford C. Bernstein & Co. "They're in a very good position to grow now, especially since all the price squeezes are affecting the second-tier companies, not Compaq."

Besides cutting prices on older-model Intel Corp. 80386-based units to as little as \$749, Compaq also took aim at Dell, of Austin, Texas, on the issue of quality control. Compaq manufactures its entire product line. One reason Dell prices its product line more cheaply is that it obtains nearly complete PCs, printers and file servers from outside makers.

Recent Compaq ads have depicted a gheupot standing next to a Dell-branded product, suggesting inadequate quality control. Monday, Ross Cooley, Compaq's senior vice president for North America, asserted that the company's internal design and manufacturing teams give consumers better value.

The two Texas giants, as well as IBM, are also challenging one another on service. Compaq said all new products would be covered by a three-year warranty. IBM and Dell do not have similar warranties for their entire product lines.

PC and peripherals makers are announcing new products and discounts on older models now to prepare for the summer sales season, as well as for various trade shows and conferences in the next two months. (Bloomberg, Reuters)

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Japanese Prodding ASEAN

Liberalized Trade In Services Sought

TOKYO — Japan is quietly pressing members of the Association of South East Asian Nations to do more to liberalize various service industries ranging from shipping to construction...

Foreign diplomats here noted that while Japan had been reluctant to open its rice market in the farm negotiations in the Uruguay Round, it has played a leading role in the negotiations on services.

China's Tsingtao Thirsty for Listing

QINGDAO, China — In 1903, Germany built a brewery in this beautiful east China seaside resort to sate the thirst of settlers flocking to an area China had been forced to cede to the Kaiser's imperial court.

The company expects exports to stay stable at about 50,000 metric tons this year, with all growth coming from the newly wealthy consumers of China.

'Our size is small, our management is good, our product is well-known, so we're optimistic.'

Dong Zhaoen, vice director

hugely new plant capable of producing 1 million tons a year. Officials expect China to become the world's largest beermaker early next century...

owned companies faces many problems in trying to list its stock on a capitalist bourse.

Four decades of socialist economics have left companies a tangled web of social welfare benefits, unrelated production units and political securities.

Under Chinese accounting, the brewery looks in good shape compared with many state enterprises. It generated export sales of \$30 million last year and reported profits and taxes of 120 million yuan (\$21 million).

Flood Puts Pakistan Deep in Red

ISLAMABAD — Pakistan's budget deficit will balloon in the current fiscal year because of flagging tax revenue and the high cost of devastating floods last year...

The central bank has been the government's failure to control spending despite an ambitious privatization policy that has included the sale of several unprofitable state enterprises, officials say.

Senior government officials have warned it could hit 9 percent, versus an initial target of 5 percent.

In the year that ended June 30, 1992, the deficit was 6.1 percent of GDP, down from 8.8 percent the previous year but well short of the target of 4.8 percent set by the International Monetary Fund...

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Table showing stock indices for Hong Kong, Singapore, Tokyo, etc. Columns include Exchange, Index, Monday Close, Prev. Close, and % Change.

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Asia Squeezes Africa in Cocoa Market

GENEVA — Major African cocoa producers are being squeezed between low prices and competition from Indonesia and Malaysia...

Producers and consumers met in Geneva last week to try to agree on measures to support prices, which have fallen to their lowest levels since records have been kept...

Cocoa has been depressed by huge stocks built up after a rapid expansion in production in the late 1980s. The surplus came after an earlier price boom and scientific advances that allowed trees to thrive in regions previously considered unsuitable.

Hong Kong Raises Fee for Registering Shares

HONG KONG — One of the great bargains in global finance, the fee for registering shares in Hong Kong, is about to jump by 50 percent — to three Hong Kong dollars (39 cents).

It would be the first increase since World War II, Albert Silva, secretary of the Federation of Share Registrars, which groups Hong Kong's 29 registrars, said Monday.

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Monday's Prices
 NASDAQ prices as of 4 p.m. New York time. This list compiled by the AP, consists of the 1,000 most traded securities in terms of dollar value. It is updated twice a year.

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Outside the industrialised west, no-one has to be told to respect their elders. It's simply the way society is organised. Which is why WWF - World Wide Fund for Nature tries to work with older people in the villages of the rainforests. With WWF's help, they learn to teach the younger members of their communities about conservation.

In Kafue Flats, Zambia, it's Chief Hamusonde (93).

Chief Bakary (78), is our man in Anjavimihavana, northern Madagascar.

In Ban Klong Sai, Thailand, we invoke the Venerable Papasro Bhikkhu, seventy-three year old chief Buddhist monk.

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"Uncle" Prom (68), another of our Thai community leaders, tells us that he frequently gets scolded when he starts telling people in the market that they should leave the forests alone. But he gets results.

Uncle Prom and his fellow villagers recently managed to prevent a new logging concession, and set up a community forest where tree felling is now forbidden.

Ninety-three year old Chief Hamusonde also makes things happen.

Income from the Kafue Flats game reserve in Zambia is funding a school, a clinic and new water boreholes for the local villages.

In Madagascar, seventy-eight year old Chief Bakary's village makes a profit by selling fruit grown in their new tree nursery.

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Very Hip Lithuanian Rookie Gives NHL Foes Fits

By Joe Lapointe
New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Darius Kasparaitis drove his new black BMW from Long Island to Manhattan a few weeks ago and parked it illegally, at a curb. When he returned, the car was gone.

A police officer told Kasparaitis, a defenseman for the New York Islanders, that the car might have been towed. When the 30-year-old rookie from Lithuania arrived at the car pound, he found his vehicle, and a long line of fellow motorists waiting to pay their fines.

"I just say to guy, 'I play on Islanders; I must leave for Chicago in one hour,'" recalled Kasparaitis, whose improving English isn't always perfectly phrased but is usually blunt in tone and clear in meaning. "I don't want to stand in line.

He say "O.K., O.K., let's go." I pay money. Two hundred dollars.

But the team wasn't really going anywhere that night. Kasparaitis and his friends resumed their tour of the city, parking the car, illegally again, near the Waldorf Astoria. Pretty soon, another tow truck took it away. This time, Kasparaitis saw it and followed on foot.

"I running five blocks," Kasparaitis continued. "Say, 'Police! Give me car back! It's my car!'" He ended up paying the same fine again to the same clerk, who asked why Kasparaitis missed his flight. "I say, 'Late my plane; somebody steal my car,'" Kasparaitis said. "Big joke."

You could say Darius Kasparaitis and his money are easily parted, but that doesn't mean he's anybody's fool. He's just new in these

parts, learning his way around this league and this country, spending money like a sailor on shore leave, playing hockey like a sailor in a bar fight.

Talented, feisty on the ice and a free spirit away from it, Kasparaitis hears the Nassau Coliseum fans chant his name and opposing players curse it. He's one reason the Islanders, who beat the Washington Capitals on Sunday, are interesting and improving, better than 500 with a chance to make the Stanley Cup playoffs for the first time in three seasons.

"He's got the world by a string," said Al Arbour, the Islanders' veteran coach, who can't talk about Kasparaitis long without smiling. "He is a piece of machinery."

Kasparaitis has made friends with teammates like Derek King,

Other introductions make enemies. He kicked Philadelphia's Kevin Dineen in a fight and he knocked Mark Messier of the New York Rangers into a net with a cross check and he hit Boston's Stephen Heinze in the face with the butt end of his stick.

And most of the Devils don't like him either. "He's young and it's going to catch up with him," New Jersey's Ken Daneyko said earlier this season. "You live by the sword, you die by it."

Kasparaitis is proud of the time he goaded Pittsburgh's elegant and peaceful Mario Lemieux into two stick fouls. "I was laughing," the Islander said. He wonders why some players aren't checked harder and more often.

"I don't understand why people mean here 'Big star, can't touch,'"

Kasparaitis said. "Guys can't touch these persons? Lemieux, Mark Messier, Steve Yzerman. I like touch sometimes."

"He likes to bug guys," said Benoit Hogue, a veteran forward. "He'll sneak up behind you at practice and hit you in the back of the head when you aren't looking. Darius is not shy."

Kasparaitis was the first and only Lithuanian to play on the national team of the Soviet Union. He is the first Lithuanian to play in the NHL.

At the 1992 Olympic Winter Games in France, to represent the Unified Team, which ended up beating Canada for the gold medal, he had to sign away his eligibility to play any sport for a Lithuanian team.

"You feel good when you win

Olympic Games," he said. "You can be rich guy but you never buy Olympic championship. Big title for all life. Have children, show children picture and medal. Gold medal. It's great."

After the Islanders traded up in the draft to choose him fifth overall, he struck his version of gold with a two-year contract averaging \$450,000 per season.

"I have money. I feel rich now," he said. "If I like something like suits or jacket, I buy everything. I never see price. Guys on team tell me 'You must save money.'"

He lives in an apartment with his girlfriend. Their phone bill, with calls to Lithuania and Russia, is about \$1,000 per month.

Earlier this season, he had to call his mother, Laima, after a game because she was worried about a

A Springtime Hot Spot

The Associated Press

March Madness? It doesn't involve only college basketball. The Patrick Division, the NHL's most competitive, became even tighter Sunday as the New York Islanders knocked off the Washington Capitals, 3-2, and the New Jersey Devils beat the Philadelphia Flyers, 7-3.

That catapulted the Devils over the Capitals into second place, and moved the Islanders within a point of the fourth-place New York Rangers. The four teams are separated by only four points.

"These are character-builders, and we need a lot of character for the run," said the Islanders' coach, Al Arbour, who added: "That's some division, isn't it?"

story in a Lithuanian newspaper that said the Devils wanted to kill him.

"So," said Kasparaitis, "I have to call her and say 'I still live.'"

She is visiting now and attending games. Last Tuesday night, when Kasparaitis stopped a shot in a game against Detroit, the puck in-

English Soccer Club Censured for Riot

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

LONDON — Manchester City was reprimanded Monday following the latest incident of crowd trouble to tarnish English soccer.

About 300 rowdies ran onto the field with three minutes left in Sunday's FA Cup quarterfinal against Tottenham, taunting visiting players and fighting with rival supporters.

Play was interrupted for 13 minutes as police on horseback moved in to restore order. Thirty-seven people were arrested.

The match was eventually resumed, with Tottenham winning 4-2, to advance to the semifinals.

The Football Association, English soccer's governing body, charged Manchester City with violating its rules on crowd behavior.

The club, which has two weeks to respond, could face a heavy fine or other disciplinary measures.

A year ago, Birmingham was fined £50,000 (\$75,000) and ordered to play two matches behind closed gates after a 38-minute interruption in a match against Stoke.

Sunday's referee, Ray Lewis, was also the referee at Sheffield's Hillsborough ground in 1989 when 95 people were crushed to death by a milling crowd at the Liverpool-Nottingham Forest FA Cup semifinal.

"The biggest crumb of comfort is that nobody, it seems, was seriously hurt," said Lewis, "but it was the first time since Hillsborough that I've had a game with a crowd problem of this type."

Officials from Manchester City, the Premier League and the Professional Footballers' Association all came out Monday against reinstalling fencing to separate spectators from the playing fields.

"A situation like that at Maine Road is always worrying," said the PFA's chief executive, Gordon Taylor. "But I don't think it is a reason to go back to heavy policing and fences. We want to avoid a situation where football grounds go back to being concentration camps."

After the Hillsborough tragedy, in which many fans were crushed against fences, the government or-

dered fences to be taken down or replaced with gates. (AP, Reuters)

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The Shark Bites Again

New York Times Service

MIAMI — Greg Norman didn't produce any final-round pyrotechnics at the Doral Ryder Open, but in its own way his carefully shepherded four-stroke victory was as impressive as any of the all-or-nothing charges with which he has built his image.

Playing well within himself, Norman shot a 2-under-par 70 on Sunday to close out a remarkable 72-hole performance of 23-under-par 265, shattering the tournament record by five strokes over a perfectly conditioned and defanged Blue Monster course.

Left in the self-proclaimed Great White Shark's wake were Paul Azinger and Mark McCumber at 269, David Frost at 270 and Sandy Lyle at 272. Nick Faldo and Fred Couples tied for sixth at 273. Tom Kite was alone in eighth at 275 while Jack Nicklaus finished with a 73 to tie for 10th at 277.



Darius Kasparaitis and goalie Glenn Healy foiled Washington's Peter Bondra as the Islanders tightened the race in the Patrick Division.

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Blyleven and Marshall Impress

The Associated Press

So far so good for Bert Blyleven and Mike Marshall.

Both veterans are trying to impress early in spring training to win a job on a major-league roster.

Blyleven, attempting to make a comeback with Minnesota, pitched two shutout innings to help the Twins beat Boston, 12-7, Sunday at Fort Myers, Florida.

Blyleven, 41, needs 13 victories to reach 300 in his major league career. He was 8-12 for California last season with a 4.74 earned-run average in 24 starts.

Blyleven last pitched for Minnesota in 1988, having helped the Twins win the World Series in '87 with a 15-12 record.

Marshall, who played in Japan last season, had two hits and drove in two runs for Seattle, but it wasn't enough as Milwaukee scored eight runs in the third inning en route to a 12-7 victory at Chandler, Arizona.

For every case of a veteran trying to hang on in spring training, there is also a prospect trying to stick.

Tim Salmon drove in two runs with a single in the seventh inning as California rallied to beat Oakland, 7-4, in Tempe, Arizona. Salmon was the 1992 minor league player of the year.

"I'm not nervous, but it's being over-aggressive that always kills me," Salmon said. "That's what happened when I popped up with the bases loaded."

Manager Buck Rodgers said Salmon will not only be the Angels' starting right fielder and No. 3 hitter, but he figures to get 300 to 400 at-bats.

The Montreal Expos said they had decided not to keep free-agent Kal Daniels.

Earlier, the Expos had announced they planned to sign Daniels to a minor-league contract. But Daniels, an outfielder-first base-

man whose production has declined because of knee problems, wasn't aware his agent had reached an agreement with the Expos.

"Evidently, Kal had already had an offer from the Cleveland Indians," said the Expos' general manager, Dan Duquette. "He felt we should be paying him what the Indians had offered, but we didn't see it that way."

Daniels now remains a free agent.

The Colorado Rockies reached agreement on a one-year contract with first-banker David Nix, the first pick in the expansion draft and the last remaining unsigned player on their 40-man roster. Nix, who is expected to be the Rockies' No. 1 pitcher this season, signed what the general manager, Bob Gebhard, called a "basic, one-year stand contract."

Nix stands to earn \$150,000 this year, according to his agent.

SIDELINES

Senna Driving for McLaren

LONDON (AP) — Ayrton Senna, the three-time world champion who had threatened to sit out the Formula One season, ended weeks of suspense Monday by agreeing a McLaren team cars in this weekend's season-opening South African Grand Prix.

Senna and American newcomer Michael Andretti will be McLaren's drivers in the opening race, the team said in a brief statement.

A Paris-Dakar-Paris Race

PARIS (AP) — The Paris-Dakar road race, considered by many to be the ultimate test of endurance for man and machine, will become a round-trip race this year, organizers said Monday.

The race, to start Dec. 30 in Paris, will take car, motorcycle and truck drivers on a 12,000-kilometer (7,500-mile) route through France and Spain, then Morocco and Mauritania, and head back to France through Algeria, finishing on Jan. 17, 1994, on the Champs Elysees in Paris.

For the Record

Jeremy Tree, 67, trainer of four English classic winners and 1985 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe victor Rainbow Quest, died after a long illness. (Reuters)

Bonaly and Lu Top Prelims in Skating

The Associated Press

PRAGUE — Three-time European champion Surya Bonaly took advantage of a mediocre performance by Nancy Kerrigan of the United States to finish first in the first group of women's qualifications Monday at the World Figure Skating Championships.

China's Chen Lu, with six triple jumps, topped the other group with Ukraine's Oksana Baiul second.

Bonaly, too, landed six triple jumps while Kerrigan singled her opening jump, then fell hard on her second jump, a triple lutz. She also stepped out of a double-triple combination.

Twelve skaters from each group advanced to the final round, which begins Friday.

Among the men, Canadians Kurt Browning and Elvis Stojko won the new qualification rounds with top performances that sent them into the main competition later in the week as gold medal contenders.

The actual championships begin Tuesday with the ice dance and pairs technical program.

The qualification rounds were added to handle the overflow of competitors from new countries. From fields of more than 40 skaters each, the men's and women's fields are being pruned to 24 each.

DENNIS THE MENACE



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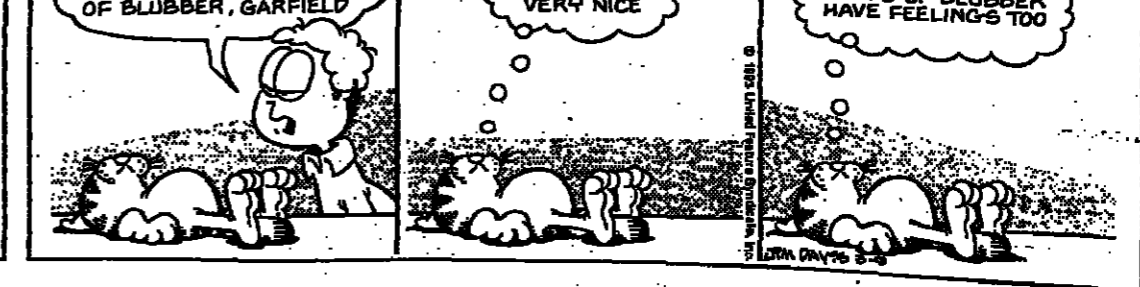
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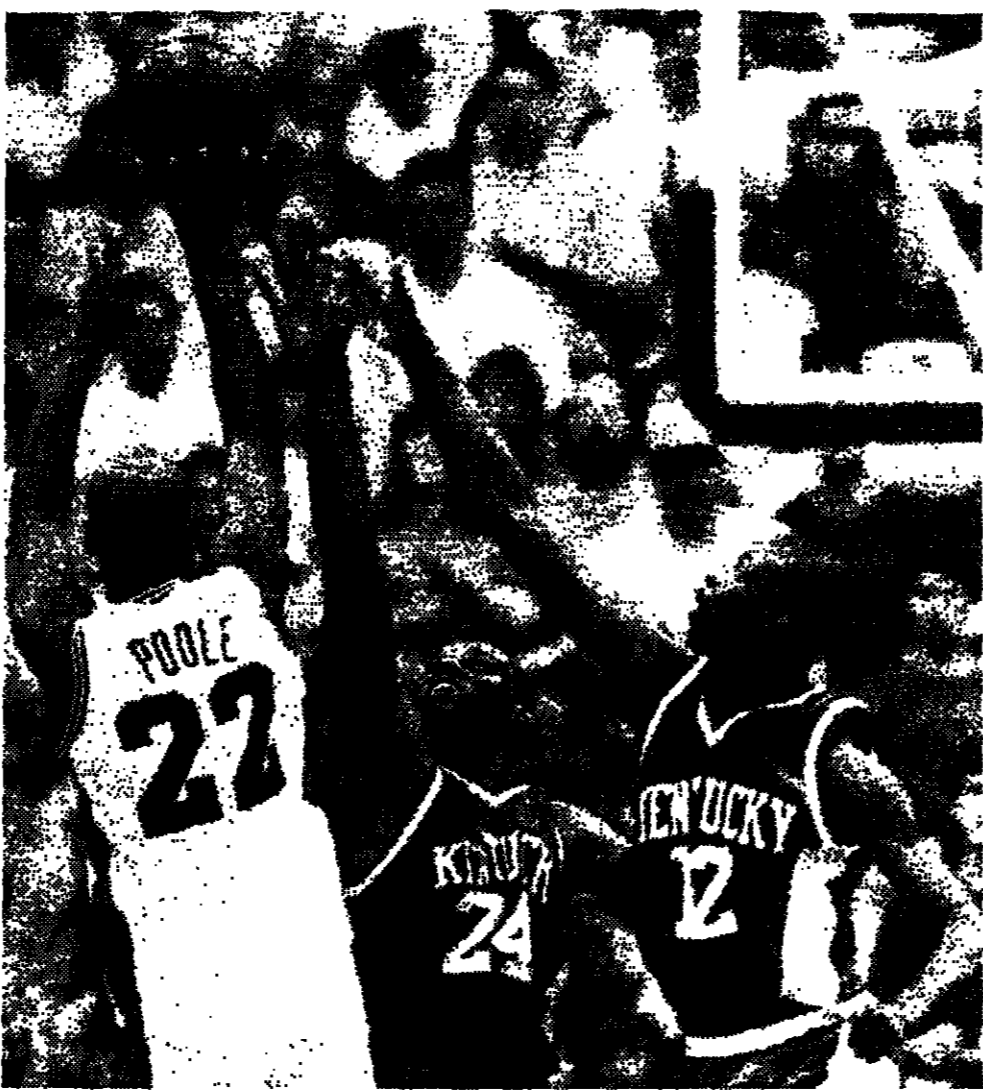


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SPORTS BASKETBALL

The Knockdowns Before the Rematch Interim Boxing Cards Set

By Michael Martinez
NEW YORK — The morning after boxing crowned a new welterweight champion, it emerged from behind closed doors with some very big — and in some cases unimpressive — fights that will unfold over the next six months.
It will likely all end with a Riddick Bowe-Evander Holyfield rematch on Sept. 10 in Las Vegas. But as a prelude, fight fans will have to live with the prospect that a real contender will challenge Bowe for his heavyweight title.
Bowe versus Jesse Ferguson, or Bowe versus Alex Garcia, are not appealing, but after nightlong negotiations were done, that's what Rock Newman, Bowe's manager, was announcing Sunday along with the expected date for Holyfield-Bowe.



Stacey Poole of Florida rose over Jamal Mashburn (24) and Rodrick Rhodes but visiting Kentucky won the Southeastern Conference game, 85-77, although Mashburn didn't score in the second half.

The NCAA's Race Is On Tennessee-Chattanooga, NE Louisiana And Coppin State Win Tournament Bids

The Associated Press
It was a day for low-profile programs, one of the last of the season. Sure, top-ranked North Carolina beat No. 8 Duke, 83-69, and No. 6 Arizona downed Stanford, 94-80. No. 7 Kansas finished the Big Eight regular season by edging No. 21 Oklahoma State, 74-73.
Most of those teams will be in the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament, but none of them clinched spots on Sunday. Tennessee-Chattanooga, Coppin State and Northeast Louisiana did.
Chattanooga won the postseason tournament in the Southern Conference, the Mid-Eastern Athletic Association and the Southern States and Northeast Louisianas won the Southland crown.
Already in the tournament are No. 2 Indiana, winner of the Big Ten, and No. 6 Arizona, which has clinched the Pacific-10 title. The Ivy League champion, Penn, also has made the 64-team field, which will be announced on Sunday, as have Coastal Carolina in the Big South and Tennessee State of the Ohio Valley.

Ferguson or Garcia in Robert F. Kennedy Stadium in Washington or at the Capital Centre in Landover, Maryland, or in Atlantic City. But he said that Portland remains a possibility. Bowe trained in Bend, Oregon, at one time and the money for a fight there has already been offered.
"Newman said, 'and they want to bring a heavyweight champion fight to Portland.'"

Newman attended King's news conference and listened as the promoter conducted his usual rambling monologue. But when it was over, he sounded neither impressed nor concerned about King's upcoming show.
"Dom King is a great promoter," Newman said, "as great as he is, he can't make a compelling argument that he's promoting the heavyweight champion of the world."

King was in top form. Johnette Howard of the Washington Post reported. By the time he was done gilding his card, he had referred to Paul Revere, Lord Acton, Winston Churchill and sundry philosophers and made the rather Freudian slip of saying Tucker-Lewis was all about "trust and control."

SCOREBOARD

Table with columns for BASKETBALL, College Basketball's Top 25, NBA Standings, and various sports results including basketball, soccer, and tennis.

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ART BUCHWALD

Royal Cellular Pains

WASHINGTON — Scientists are finding out more and more about the dangers of cellular phones. In England they have recently discovered that the phone can even affect members of the royal family.



Buchwald

Sir Burton Katzen confirmed this in studies he conducted on the M-1 motorway where he listened in on one member of the royal family talking to a commoner friend.

Transcripts of these conversations made available by members of the vigilant British press indicate that the car phone created a lot of static for the users.

While delivering a paper he had written for the British Cellular Medical News, Sir Burton said, "Holding the phone too close to the royal ear can cause severe giddiness and make the palms sweat."

"Is this only true of members of the royal family?" Sir Burton was asked.

"We're not sure because they were the only ones we could experiment on. We do know that both Prince Charles and Princess Diana have palpitations when they talk to their loyal subjects."

"What makes them utter so much gibberish?"

"It could be the cellular battery."

Lillian Gish, in Will, Finds an Arts Award

NEW YORK — Lillian Gish left an estate of \$10 million, stipulating that most of it shall be used for an annual award in the performing arts.

Gish died on Feb. 27 at the age of 99. Her 19-purse will provides 20 individuals, including relatives, friends and an employer with about \$1 million in bequests ranging from \$5,000 to \$250,000.

The British Cellular Telephone Association denied that car phones were responsible for the chaos at Buckingham Palace. A BCTA spokesman said, "Cellular phones don't kill monarchies — heirs-to-the throne do."

Drew Barrymore, Hollywood Trash Novel

By Bernard Weinraub

LOS ANGELES — At the age of 7, playing the little girl in "E.T.," she became a movie star. After that, it was all downhill. She began drinking — at 9. At 10, she was out on the club circuit with her mother, and smoking pot. By 12 she was snorting cocaine. At 14, there was a suicide attempt.



Barrymore: "An ability for turning into other people."

"It's strange, very strange, how I survived with the upbringing I had, the life I led," says the 18-year-old Drew Barrymore. "I sort of had to take care of myself my whole life. I know it's hard to believe, but I am actually now a well-rounded, somewhat normal — not entirely normal person."

With her chaotic life and her illustrious, dysfunctional family, Drew Barrymore's saga sounds like a trash novel. But it's a Hollywood trash novel. And, despite it all, she seems to be on the edge of stardom once again. In her latest film, "Gun Crazy," about two young lovers on a crime spree, Barrymore was lavishly praised by critics.

Last year, her performance in "Poison Ivy," a film noir sexual thriller in which she plays a girl who seduces just about everyone in sight, seized the attention of critics.

Barrymore's tempestuous life could be seen as preparation for the bad-girl roles she has played recently. "That which doesn't kill you makes you stronger, and Drew is definitely strong," says J. J. Harris, her agent at the United Talent Agency. "She really has a head on her shoulders to go along with the gift that God gave her, which is frequently accompanied by psychosis and craziness. Drew is very together. She's ready. She's going to be a star."

Tamra Davis, the director of "Gun Crazy," says the actress repeatedly called and pleaded for the part of Anita, a sullen, volatile teenager who takes up with the wrong guy. "I saw her and knew she was perfect," Davis says.

Barrymore's mother, John Barrymore Jr., a failed actor and recluse. The couple broke up before Drew was born in 1975.

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smoking and quaffing diet drinks, she says she has avoided other addictions — drugs and alcohol — for years. "My father was so amazing-looking and he was so good and yet, like, he screwed it all up," she says. "I'm not a quitter. I have a hard time with what he did. Believe me, whatever structure I have now did not come from him."

She has a half-brother whom she hasn't spoken to in years. "His name is John Barrymore, and he has a son. His name is — guess what? They should get some originality in the male department of the family."

The male department — indeed the whole family — seemed cursed and blessed. Her grandfather John was the greatest Hamlet of his day and starred in movie classics like "Grand Hotel" and "Twentieth Century."

By legend, the Barrymores were descended from itinerant Elizabethan players and vaudevillians. But the Barrymore legend was also stamped by alcoholism, drug addiction and out-of-control behavior. Drew's father, while dashing, had a modest screen career that was shattered by a series of drug arrests.

There is a strong familial resemblance: Davis says she is "amazed" how much the young actress looks like photos of her illustrious ancestors. "They were geniuses, but they were crazy. I believe it is genetic. I was somehow destined. They were totally insane." Yet she adds: "My grandfather might be my idol. I only know him from his films. I've seen them over and over again."

Barrymore has never taken an acting lesson — and has no intention of doing so. "I'm afraid of the word 'real,'" she says. "The word puts me off. I'm claustrophobic. I'm afraid of being trapped. I'm afraid of working by a method. I want to be as free as possible. I don't want to hold anything back."

Her first professional performance came at 11 months in a dog-food commercial. An angelic blond child, she later appeared in several television movies. After stardom came along 10 years ago in "E.T.," she appeared in a number of films and television dramas. But she gained fame less for her acting than for her life in the fast lane.

She co-authored a book with Todd Gold, "Little Girl Lost," in 1990 about her out-of-control behavior.

From the age of 13 to 16 the actress was, she says, washed up. "It could only happen in Hollywood." "People were afraid of me," she says. "They thought I was a nightmare. Even when I started getting work, everyone was skeptical." She tried out for and lost numerous roles, but work began spreading about how well she auditioned.

"My age group is a difficult one," she says. "I can't play the daughter role, the teenage girl, because audiences won't buy it. I'm not your typical teenager. Yet I can't play leading ladies with older men."

Says Joel Schumacher, a longtime friend and the director who cast her in last fall's short-lived television series "2000 Malibu Road": "She knows how she feels about everything. She's a total professional. She comes to work ready. She knows every line of dialogue. She has a facility to move in and out of emotions very quickly. All her emotions are very much on the surface, which is surprising. For someone with her background, you'd think she'd have buried everything. She hasn't."

PEOPLE

De Klerk's Son Plans To Wed White Woman

President Frederik W. de Klerk's youngest son, Willem, who made headlines last year when he broke off his engagement to the mixed-race South African beauty queen Erica Adams, is now engaged to a white woman, Hermina Mostert. The engagement of Willem and Erica, who met as students in Britain in 1989, provoked controversy, and The Sunday Times newspaper quoted a friend of Erica as saying they had split due to pressure from President de Klerk and his wife, Marika.

Clinton Eastwood is the odds-on favorite to win at least one Academy Award this year for "Unforgotten." Eastwood picked up the Directors Guild of America award for his Western, giving him the edge in the competition when the Academy Awards are announced on March 29.

Prince Philip plans to drive around London's streets incognito — in his own taxi cab. A Buckingham Palace spokesman said that the prince, husband of Queen Elizabeth II, will lease the customized green cab, worth £20,000 (£25,000), to replace his previous private vehicle, a green, battery-powered van that cannot be repaired because it is no longer in production.

A negative newspaper review of Paul McCartney's Perth concert — the former Beatle's first on a worldwide tour — has come under strong criticism from fans who attended the show. Ron Banks, arts editor of The West Australian, called the concert a "himp squab of a big pig." But commercial television stations reported a flood of calls praising the concert.

Katharine Hepburn was released from a hospital in Hartford, Connecticut, Monday after being given a clean bill of health. She had been hospitalized on Thursday for exhaustion. The actress, 85, underwent a series of tests.

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WEATHER

Weather forecast for Wednesday through Friday. Includes maps for Europe, North America, Asia, and Oceania, along with temperature and precipitation data for various regions.

CROSSWORD

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes a solution to the puzzle for March 8.

BOOKS

VAN GOGH'S ROOM AT ARLES: Three Novellas By Stanley Elkin. 312 pages. \$22.95. Hyperion. Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani. The protagonists of the other two novellas are less casualties of fate than bumbling makers of their own misfortune.

By Robert Byrne JOHN Fedorowicz, a Manhattan J grandmaster, was fascinated by Boris Men of Cleveland, his round 14 opponent in the United States championship, which ended December 20 in Durango, Colorado. Men, a 43-year-old former Soviet junior champion, hasn't played serious chess in 25 years.

CHESS

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